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Subject: Fwd: Sunland homeless encampments increasing; 8700-block of Foothill in Sunland & 8200-block of Foothill in Sunland

Any suggestions on how I should answer #1-5?

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From: [REDACTED]
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Subject: Sunland homeless encampments increasing; 8700-block of Foothill in Sunland & 8200-block of Foothill in Sunland
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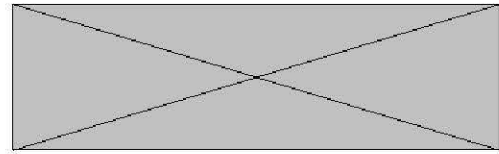
Hello Councilwoman Monica Rodriguez:

- On the south side of Foothill Blvd around the 8200 block, east of Foothill True Value Hardware, there is a BMW parked that frequently has homeless coming and going to it and appears to be an encampment in a car.
- On the south side of Foothill Blvd around the 8700-block, there is a row of tents forming on the sidewalk.
- I own a home in South Sunland and have seen more wandering homeless walk our neighborhood area with things like rolling suitcases, looking at every yard. Our neighbor found a drug needle outside on the dirt in front of their home. This is on streets I like to walk with my wife and 4 children.
- Some homeless commit crime and attract others who commit crimes. I want them off our streets and out of our parks in Sunland. My wife and 4 children don't go to the Sunland park anymore because of the homeless quantity and because of drug needles being found there in the kids' play areas.
- I'm primarily frustrated by the fact that a percentage of homeless attract crime or commit crimes, and the resulting environment becoming lower quality and less safe for me to raise my children in. It's significant enough that my wife has begun to ask me to move our family out of this area.

1. Why are parks and streets so free of homeless in La Crescenta and La Canada?
2. Why are homeless continuing to try to establish encampments around Sunland?
3. What can be done to make Sunland inhospitable to homeless encampments on streets?
4. I am asking for the problem to be pushed out of our area the same way it's pushed out of La Crescenta, La Canada, Montrose, and so on.
5. When the olympics come to LA, are we in Sunland going to be a drop-off point for homeless given bus tickets out of skid row and downtown's encampment areas? Are we accepting that?
6. What else is your office doing to address these issues, as a representative of the home owners and families wanting safe streets, clean streets, and safe, clean parks?

I will help in whatever ways I can to make Sunland a better place to live and to reduce crime. I'll mobilize as many people as I need to. In addition to questions above, please let me know what I can do.

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